

REMARKS


Applicant respectfully requests entry of the above amendment. Applicant will file a renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(3) to request a priority claim back to application Serial No. 09/755,316, filed on December 29, 2000 (issued as U.S. 6,520,199).

If a telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at 612.371.5387.

Respectfully submitted,

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